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Re: Docket: 99P-2630

Dear Dr. Jacobson:

This letter refers to your citizen petition, Docket Number 99P-2630, which was filed with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on August 4, 1999. Your petition requests, among other things, that FDA establish a Daily Reference Value for "added sugars" in foods and require that the Nutrition Facts panel include the amount of added sugars and the percent Daily Value in a serving. In addition, you requested that FDA change related labeling regulations for nutrient-content and health claims.

In accordance with 21 CFR 10.30(e)(2), this letter is to advise you that we have been unable to reach a decision on your petition within the first 180 days of its receipt because of other Agency priorities and the limited availability of resources.

Sincerely yours,

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(Acting) Director

Office of Nutritional Products, Labeling

And Dietary Supplements